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25TH ID DEATHS IN IRAQ

The 25th Infantry Division lost five members of its Schofield family to the Global War on Terrorism Wednesday.

“First and foremost, our thoughts and prayers are with the families, loved ones and comrades of these brave Soldiers,” said Col. Tim Ryan, Rear Detachment Commander. “Learning that someone you love isn’t coming home is the most difficult news to hear, and this incident speaks to the incredible sacrifice borne not only by our Soldiers but by families across our nation. And it strengthens our resolve to comfort and support these families and our community during these difficult times.

“These Soldiers made the ultimate sacrifice in service to our nation, and the somber news of their death is especially difficult at this time of year when our thoughts move toward families and loved ones during the holidays. I know that the commitment and sacrifice of these brave Soldiers will be honored throughout our ranks and their loss will be felt across our Army family.

“We will keep the names and memories of all of the Soldiers who have given their lives in our hearts, and we must also continue to keep the many Soldiers still in harm’s way in our thoughts and prayers, as well. It is the noblest of all callings to lay down one’s life for another, so it is very humbling to think upon the sacrifice these American Heroes made.”